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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/601,634

Applicants: Mikhail Markovich CUSYATINER, et al.

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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING L-LEUCINE

Attention: A

Application Division

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Letter to Commissioner

Deposit Receipt for Escherichia coli strain 505 deposited in the Russian National Collection of Industrial Microorganisms (VKPM) on May 14, 2001

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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LETTER TO COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

Applicants wish to make of record the enclosed copy of the deposit receipt for *Escherichia coli* strain 505. The deposit receipt evidences that this strain has been deposited in the Russian National Collection of Industrial Microorganisms (VKPM) on May 14, 2001. This deposit receipt also evidences that a request to convert the original deposit to a deposit under the Budapest Treaty was received on February 1, 2002 and the strain was assigned accession number B-8124.

Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for examination on the merits.

Early notification to this effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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